



Smoke Signals

Next Meeting: April 9, 2015

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The Club meets on the second Thursday of every month September thru May at 6:30pm at:

Casa Serena Mobile Home Park
Rec Center
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Club Dues - \$24 a year per member prorated to first of month of joining.

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President's Message

By Bill Jonas

Two very important items have been accomplished within our club the past few weeks. First our Spring Rock and Gem Show at Skyline High School was an outstanding success, and second, our club membership adopted our new revised By-laws at our last general meeting. Both of these events are critical to the future success of our club and its continuing operations and growth.

Our recent Show at Skyline High School set records for that long standing show both in attendance and receipts. The efforts made by all of our club volunteers were nothing short of phenomenal. It was such a pleasure to watch our club volunteers work so closely as a team to make this event so successful. Everyone in this club should be proud of their performance that weekend and, indeed, be proud to be a member of one of the best rock and gem clubs in this state. I talked to every dealer at our show and did not get one negative comment about the show's organization and publicity efforts. Many dealers told me they had or were having the best sales they have experienced this past year. That is quite a compliment considering that most of them are still feeling the effects of the past economic downturn. Virtually every one of them thanked us for our increased customer turn out. Then, no write up or conversation about this show can be complete without giving due recognition to those club event leaders who collectively pulled off the most successful club activities we have ever done. These event leaders are the club members and other volunteers who organize and run the following club-owned features of the show: Admissions, Membership, Raffle, Egg Cartons for Kids, Wheel, Ming Trees, and Silent Auction. Our door security volunteers and greeters stood long hours doing their work to help direct customers and give information. Everyone worked hard and by the end of the show all were very tired. It is hard to write a short synopsis or report about all the members who made this show happen without running the risk of leaving out someone who equally contributed to this success, and that is not my intent. Everyone who participated should have a good sense of satisfaction about their contribution in both the preplanning and final outcome of that show. I sincerely thank you for your efforts.

The revision of our By-Laws is more important than many folks understand. By-Laws tend to be a boring issue for those of us who are just focused on practicing our favorite hobby of lapidary arts. But, make no mistake, By-Laws and their related documents are the operational fabric of our club. By-Laws and our Articles of Incorporation are the tools under which we are bound to govern and conduct the business of the club. By-Laws need to be periodically updated so our club and its organization stay current with the changing times and changing membership requirements. Clubs that do not change with the times will eventually cease to exist. That is why our By-Laws are required to be reviewed and amended if necessary at least every 2 years.

You, our members, by approving the By-Laws, grant to the officers you elect the method and authority to govern the club as you see fit. Therefore, it is the Board of Directors job to conduct the business of the club in accordance with the By-Laws. Thank you for your time and patience as we worked though the By-Law revision process.

Bill Jonas
President

Minutes of the March 2015 Meeting

By Ruth Flynn, Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 6:30.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Bill Jonas, President

- Two guests acknowledged
- Ten new members acknowledged
- Introduction of the board members
- Information re: Silent Auction and 50/50 drawing
- Announcement of garbage pickup at the shop to be arranged. Cost is \$37.50 every three months.
- Request for work party help over the weekend of March 20th, 21st, 22nd, to paint, restore the storage units, fix tables, etc. This will be the last work party of the year.
- Gave thanks to all for making a great spring show. The 66 members who helped will be listed in the newsletter.

Ken Perkins, Vice President

- Table set up with t-shirts and hoodies – lots of colors and sizes.

Linn Mistrot, Treasurer

- Gave the Treasurer's report. Any questions, please contact.

Ruth Flynn, Secretary

- Requested motion to accept the minutes from the February meeting. Motion made and passed.
- Sent out two get well cards and one sympathy card.

Tom Sundling, Trustee

- Thanked Ken Perkins for getting the storage sheds.
- Read the proposed changes to the By-Laws and then took questions.

Bill Jonas, President

- Question regarding Ethics and Grievances Committee has been tabled. Robert's Rules of Order cover this aspect – the Board of Directors is the grievance committee.
- Question regarding October vote and November installation of new officers. Need time between the vote and the installation for transfer of duties.
- Membership voted on By-Laws – they have been accepted as amended.

Laurie Jonas, Membership

- At this time, there are 336 members, with 54 new members joining in the last month.
- Explained that members can join through the website.
- Need a volunteer to handle the newsletter.

Bill Jonas, President

- Discussed the possibility of new badges that will track membership, shop fees, orientation, etc. More discussion to come in the future.

Mitch Lee, Shop Manager

- Many thanks to Richard Holle for working so hard at keeping the saws and grinders in good shape.
- The water catchment system is now working – it will keep solids out of the septic tank.
- Asked that new people please get help when using equipment they are unfamiliar with.

Peggy Aspinwall, Rock Tumbling

- Announced that the club now has a rock tumbler. Members who want to use it must supply their own labelled barrels. The club will sell the various grit types. There will be no fee for using the tumbler.
- Passed out sign-up sheet for those interested in tumbling.

Nancy Suthann, Monitor Liaison

- Many of the club's monitors are leaving for the summer – need replacements or the shop may have to close on some days.
- Passed out sign-up sheet for those interested in monitoring.
- Announced that cab contests will be monthly.
- Please bring in egg cartons for the next show.

Greg Sather, Field Trip Coordinator

- Thanked Ron Ginn, Paul Stearns, Bill Jonas, Dave Webber and De Wright for all their help with leading field trips.
- The club takes about 40 field trips a year – far more than any other club in the state.
- The \$3.00 fee for the field trip is to reimburse the trip leader for gas so that the program can support itself.
- Last year, trip leaders put 6,400 miles on their vehicles.
- In the future, more trip leaders will be needed. Need 4-wheel drive, a passion for collecting rocks and be willing to be patient and share your knowledge.
- For those who would like to carpool on field trips, please utilize the club's website. If you're driving, please put a notice on the club's website if you have room for a rider(s).

Wally Frlich, Publicity Chairman

- The spring show was the best show in his ten years as Publicity Chairman.
- There were approximately 2,090 adults who attended.
- There were 206 egg cartons handed out to kids 12 and under.
- The show listing under the "Things to do" section in the Arizona Republic was probably a great help.

Kelly Iverson, Show Chairman

- Discussed the numbers for the spring show – it was a great show.
- Dealers were very happy.
- Most of the dealers from the fall show acknowledged that it was the first fall show and felt it would improve with the next fall show.

Bill Jonas, President

- Thanked Kelly Iverson for all his work as Show Chairman.
- Announced that Kelly would not be Show Chairman anymore but would mentor for two shows.

Elise Mitchell, Scholarship Chairman

- Thanked Christina Spadafino for help setting scholarship requirements.
- Four students from Apache Junction High School have applied for the scholarships.
- Awards ceremony at Apache Junction High School will be 4/22/15. Club members are invited to attend.
- Scholarships are funded by profits from the spring and fall shows.
- Elise will contact Nancy Roberts, Assistant Principal at Skyline High School to arrange for scholarships there.

Bill Jonas, President

- St. Patrick's Day potluck has been cancelled.

Lois Perkins, Hospitality

- There will be a goodbye party for the winter visitors in April. More info to follow.

Brian Fermoyle, Silent Auction

- Announced that silent auction would be over at 8:30.

Congratulations to Ruth Flynn for winning the cab contest – she received a club t-shirt.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Work Crew Needed

By Bill Jonas

We need volunteers for a work party at the shop. It is imperative that we get some urgent items accomplished in order to be better prepared for our rock shows and the goal of re-establishing our silversmith shop.

So in that regard, I am asking that you consider joining this event scheduled to start on Friday, March 20 and continue through Sunday, March 22. If we get the work accomplished on Friday and Saturday, we can cancel the Sunday work day. Work times are as follows:

Friday the 20th -- 8am

Saturday the 21st -- 8am

Sunday the 22nd -- 10am

Generally speaking, the major items that need to be accomplished are as follows:

- As most of you know, we recently acquired three storage containers in order to have the room to better organize and store much of our property that is not in continuous use. These storage containers are in need of some repair such as water proofing the roofs, painting the interior and exterior and building a floor for one of them. Another one needs a new entry door. So those who are interested in some wood work are really welcome
- Some of our recently purchased tables that we use at the shows are in need of some TLC. You know, tender loving care. We can sort out the ones that are OK and repair those in need. The goal is to get all the tables in good serviceable condition and stored in our new storage containers outside.
- Finally, we need to clean out the entire east end of our club building, transferring those items to our storage containers so we can have room for our silversmith shop.

Please give serious consideration to helping with these projects. These are important items to accomplish in order to improve our club's performance and services.

Lunch (pizza) will be provided both Friday and Saturday, along with drinking water.

We could use the following items for this work crew:

- Hammers
- Cordless drills and drill bits
- Skill saws
- Hand saws
- Screw drivers
- 1" and longer Philips head wood screws (drywall screws will work)
- Water proof glue
- Paint brushes and rollers
- Spray cans of paint to write our name on the bottom of all the tables

Please do not rush out and purchase these items. If you have some of the above expendables that are extra that you do not need, please bring them, but the club will also purchase what other items we do need. Also, please wear clothing you may get dirty or paint on.

Field Trips

By Laurie Jonas

Our field trip calendar is now posted on our website. You can find it at <http://ajrockclub.com>, under Members, Field Trips. This section also lists our field trip rules and the coalition field trips. Note that our last official field trip for the season is April 18th.

Red Rover Mine Field Trip March 11, 2015

We had 48 people attend our first ever field trip to the Red Rover Mine near Carefree, AZ. Everyone found lots of beautiful blue-green chrysocholla. In the following picture, we all look like ants crawling around the tailings pile! Our hosts were wonderful people and invited us back to the mine at a future date. Ron Ginn and Laurie Jonas acted as “taxi drivers” hauling people up the hills with their rocks and taking them back to the parking area by using their side-by-side vehicles. Thanks Ron and Laurie!



Red Rover Mine 1

Silver Bell Mine Field Trip March 14, 2015

A great time was had by all 25 people who went on this field trip. They collected a lot of minerals: chalcopyrite, bornite, hematite, manganese dendrites, and some chryscolla. The following are some pictures of this fun field trip.



Silver Bell Mine 1



Silver Bell Mine 2



Silver Bell Mine 3

Show Update

Bill Jonas, Kelly Iverson, and Wally Frlich would like to thank the following people for helping to put on our best show ever! Without you, it could not have been done! If we have forgotten anyone, please let one of us know and we will correct it in the next newsletter.

Karen Webber	Dave Webber	Sandra Lindner
Con Higley	Pat Maxwell	Pam Carter
Dorrie Kapki	Mitch Lee	Gary Spigarelli
Wally Frlich	Marion May	Herve Desrosiers
Marty Radvansky	Lance Berrisford	Mike Binion
Alan Koberna	Ric Augustin	Ed Rice

Dan Jarvis	Paul Williams	Chuck Narveson
Norma Norwood	Lynn Carlson	Oma Frlich
Jim Meier	Pam Meier	Natalie Kirmiel
Cindy Koontz	Sherry Jackson	Carol Thomas
Judy Johnson	Dave Johnson	Anne Berrisford
Charlotte Augustin	Lois Perkins	Phil Gadd
Maddie Gadd	Jack Pawlowski	Chuck Larson
Ken Perkins	Jerry Ciptak	Art Kitchen
Ron Nichol	Harlan Jones	John Beechler
Chuck Fagen	Judy Fagen	Linn Mistrot
David Faulkner	Steven Sisk	Wanda Sisk
Katy Tunncliff	Cheryl Stearns	Paul Stearns
Tom Sundling	Connie Sundling	Arlene Beechler
Ann Wisner	Judy Rice	John Sipes
Jean Sipes	Nancy Suthann	Kelly Iverson
Bill Jonas	Laurie Jonas	Richard Holle
Ron Ginn	Thomas Contrerasas	

Updated By-Laws

The following are the updated club by-laws that were passed unanimously at the March 12, 2015 meeting:

APACHE JUNCTION ROCK and GEM CLUB, INC.

CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS

Revised February 12, 2015

ARTICLE I - Name

Section 1: The name of this corporation shall be Apache Junction Rock and Gem Club, Inc., (AJR&GC).

Section 2: Its principal office shall be located at P.O. Box 712, Apache Junction, AZ, 85117. Our Club House is located at: 2151 W. Superstition Blvd., Apache Junction, AZ, 85120 (no Mail here).

Section 3: Other locations for the transaction of business, if any, shall be located at such places, as the Board of Directors deems necessary.

ARTICLE II - Objectives

Section 1: The objectives of this Club shall be to promote and further interest in archeology, paleontology, mineralogy, geology and the lapidary arts.

Section 2: This Corporation is formed as a Not-for-Profit corporation, and none of its assets shall be used for the monetary gain or profit of any individual who is or may become a member thereof.

Section 3: All assets, properties and funds of the Corporation shall be devoted to the furtherance of the primary objectives and purposes of the Corporation. Its works, purposes and objectives are purely scientific, educational, social, and recreational and are solely in the interest of the advancement of its member societies, of their members and of the public.

ARTICLE III - Membership

Section 1: The Corporation shall have only one class of members. Those members who were previously approved as Honorary or Lifetime members will continue to be so recognized.

Section 2: Applicants for membership will fill out and sign the official application form. Family applicants under the age of 18 are free and are considered Junior Members. Junior Members are not eligible to vote and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian whenever participating in any club event.

Section 3: The signed application is to be presented to the Membership Chairperson, with the current annual dues payment. Applicants may be rejected for just cause by agreement of the Board of Directors. If rejected, the dues payment will be refunded to the applicant.

Section 4: In order for any new member to participate in certain activities it may be necessary for that member to attend 'qualification classes', and/or sign waivers for those activities.

Section 5: A member can, for just cause, may be suspended or expelled immediately from the premises (activity) by the President or by a Board of Directors member. These actions shall be subject to approval by the Board of Directors at their next scheduled meeting or at a special meeting of Board of Directors called to address the issue. Action taken by the Board of Directors under this section may be appealed by the member, to the Board of Directors, at the next regular Board of Directors meeting.

Section 6: Each adult member shall be entitled to one vote, on each matter that is submitted to a vote of the general membership.

Section 7: Any member who desires to resign shall notify, any elected Officer of the club, either orally or in writing, who in turn shall then promptly notify the Membership Chairperson to remove the member's name from the Club's roster. No member resigning shall be entitled to a refund of dues.

Section 8: Dues for new members will be set by the Board of Directors, and shall be prorated from the first day of the month in which that new member is applying to join the club, for the remainder of that fiscal year. However, a new member applying near the end of the fiscal year may, if so desired, pay for the next year as well.

Section 9: Membership dues must be paid each year on or before January 1. Members who have not paid dues by January 1 are no longer eligible to use club facilities, attend club activities or have voting privileges until such dues are brought current from the first of the year. There will be no proration for reapplying members who were in arrears.

ARTICLE IV – Officers and Elections

Section 1: The officers of this Club shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and three (3) trustees, elected from the membership at large.

Section 2: The term of office for all Board of Directors, (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer) positions shall be one year, except that of the Trustees who shall be elected to three (3) year terms, with one Trustee being elected each year.

Section 3: Members must be in the Club for at least six (6) months before holding an elected office. This requirement can be waived by the Board of Directors for qualified candidates.

Section 4: Nominations for officers shall be made by a nominating committee appointed in May by the President.

Section 5: The nominations of officers shall be presented at the September General Meeting. Additional nominations from the floor can be made by the members at large at the September general meeting. Any active member in good standing may nominate any other member in good standing for any office. Elections shall be held during the October general meeting and new officers will assume office at the November General Meeting. The Elections of officers at the October General Meeting shall be by secret ballot, unless there is only one nominee for an office, in which case a floor vote shall take place. A majority of the votes cast for an office shall constitute an election to that position.

Section 6: A vacancy in any office may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

ARTICLE V – Duties of Officers

Section 1: President: The duties of this office shall be to assign the work of the Club, to preside at all meetings: to be Chairperson of the Executive Board and to appoint all Standing Committee Chairpersons and any other such committee as deemed necessary to conduct the business of the Club, subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

Section 2: Vice-president: The duties of the Vice-president shall be assign and direct the Field Trip Chairperson, to assist the President in all duties assigned and to assume all Presidential duties during the absence of the President.

Section 3: Secretary: The duties of the Secretary shall be to notify all members when board and regular meetings are to be held, keep an accurate record of all Regular Board, General Meetings

and special meetings. To conduct the correspondence of the Club by means of e-mail and/or USPS: keep hard copies of all correspondence, act as Sunshine Coordinator and to provide the Newsletter Editor with a copy of the General Meeting minutes in a timely fashion. The Secretary will also create and maintain an Action Item list and have said list available at all meetings of the Executive Board.

Section 4: Treasurer: The duties of the Treasurer shall be to maintain an accurate accounting of all receipts and expenditures and other financial activities of the Club; to serve as Club bank liaison, making all deposits and paying all bills authorized by the Board of Directors or associated with approved budgets. The Treasurer shall present a report monthly to the Executive Board and at the General Meeting of budget accountability, and balances on hand. The Treasurer shall participate in an annual audit review of Club accounts and shall file applicable tax forms and reports.

The Treasurer shall maintain an investment account known as the Building Fund. Funds to the Building Fund shall be added to at an amount of no less than \$6000 per year. Additions to this sum can be made in a manner designated by the Board of Directors. Monies from the Building Fund shall NOT be removed for any reason other than: Payment of the note due, and/or an Emergency, as set forth by the Board of Directors. This Fund should be set up in such a manner that it REQUIRES the approval by the Board of Directors and the signatures of three (3) officers of the Board of Directors to remove any of these funds.

Section 5: Trustee: The duties of the Trustees shall be to conduct an annual audit of Club accounts of the Treasurer, after the January General Meeting, and present the audit findings to the membership at the February General Meeting. The Trustees shall also review and recommend updates to the Club By-Laws at a minimum of every two (2) years from the last revision date. The Trustees shall also perform such other duties as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

Section 6: If any officer who is absent from three (3) consecutive regularly scheduled Board of Directors or General Meetings, unless the absence is considered unavoidable by the Board of Directors, may consider that office vacant. Failure to perform the duties of the office held or assigned duties shall result in removal and replacement in accordance with Section 6 of Article IV of the club Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI - Board of Directors / Executive Board

Section 1: The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers. Their duties are to approve all decisions necessary to conduct the business of the Club.

Section 2: The Executive Board shall consist of the Board of Directors, the immediate past President, and the Chairpersons of Standing Committee. All standing committee Chairpersons are responsible for the maintenance and condition of all Club property and assets under their control.

ARTICLE VII - Meetings

Section 1: The General Meeting shall be held once each month at the time and place as mutually agreed upon by the Board of Directors and membership, except that meetings may be suspended during the months of June, July, and August.

The Board of Directors and/or Executive Board shall meet prior to the next scheduled General Meeting and at any other time they deem necessary to conduct the business of the Club. All meetings must have a quorum participating, whether electronically or in person. Board of Directors meetings are open meetings and are open to all members, unless said meeting or special meeting is held to discuss personnel, at which time the Board of Directors will go into a closed session.

Section 2: Special Meetings of the members of the Club may be called at any time by the President, upon resolution of the Board of Directors, or upon written petition signed by no less than ten percent (10%) of the members of the Club. The purpose of the Special Meeting shall be stated in the notice thereof, and no other business shall be transacted except such as is specified in the notice.

Section 3: The members and officers present at any scheduled General Meeting shall constitute a quorum of the Club for the transaction of Club business. The voting powers of the members of this Club shall be equal, with each member having one vote only for all purposes.

Section 4: The order of business at all meetings will be established by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII – Finances

Section 1: The fiscal year shall be the same as the calendar year.

Section 2: Each Committee shall prepare an annual budget for the Treasurer to submit to the Board of Directors for approval at the January Executive Board Meeting. The Final budget will be presented to the general membership for approval at the January General Meeting.

Section 3: The finances of the Club shall be derived from dues, income from the Annual Rock Shows, sale of property, gains from investments and other such means as may be approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 4: Membership dues (per member) shall be reviewed yearly by the Board of Directors and any necessary changes must be presented to the membership for their approval.

Section 5: The Building Fund (Investment Account) is solely for the purchase of the club building and property. See Article V, Section 4, Paragraph 2, Duties of the Treasurer, for more detail.

ARTICLE IX – Standing Committees

The following chairpersons will be appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Board. They are ex-officio members (non-voting) members of the Board of Directors and are expected to attend board meetings where they will report on the status of their committee to the Board of Directors.

Section 1: Field Trip Chairperson: Responsible for planning field trips, appointing assistant field trip leaders and guides, assuring compliance with the Field Trip Rules, and reporting to the Vice President.

Section 2: Membership Chairperson: Receives and processes new member applications and dues. Provides monthly updates of the Club roster to the Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Shop Manager, Field Trip Chairperson, and Board of Directors.

Section 3: Publicity Chairperson: Publicizes Club activities through the news media, radio, TV stations, and periodicals. Works with the Show Committee to assist in publicizing the Annual Rock Shows.

Section 4: Hospitality Chairperson: Greets all members and guests who attend meetings. Supervises the serving of refreshments at Club meetings.

Section 5: Events Chairperson: Co-ordinates with the Executive Board on any social activities the Club may engage in during the year.

Section 6: Jewelry and Arts Chairperson: Responsible for the wire wrapping, beading, and other lapidary arts classes. Maintains all equipment owned by the Club that is used in these classes.

Section 7: Silversmith Chairperson: Responsible for the silver smithing equipment and maintain all equipment owned by the Club that is used in this area.

Section 8: Shop Manager: Responsible for all equipment and to maintain this equipment in the shop. To make sure that the equipment is being used properly by Club members who have attended the orientation class and are familiar with the workings of that equipment.

Section 9: Newsletter Editor Chairperson: Writes, publishes, and distributes the monthly Club newsletter, including meeting minutes, field trip information, new members, and other subjects of Club interest.

Section 10: Show Chairperson: To work with Club members to attract vendors that are suited to the shows, to organize facilities and coordinate running of all events at those shows.

Section 11: Web Master: Updates the Club web site monthly to include all relevant Club status and events.

Section 12: Scholarship Chairperson: Each year the Club will conduct one or more Rock and Gem shows. Some of the proceeds shall be for a scholarship(s). The Board will appoint a member to contact the recipient organization and set up a procedure that will be used for selection and presentation to the person winning that scholarship.

Section 13: Parade/Float Chairperson: This person shall be responsible for working with members of the club to organize ideas for our Parade Float and obtaining permits for that float.

ARTICLE X - Authority

Section 1: The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the Club in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws and any special rules of order that the Club might adopt.

ARTICLE XI - Amendment of By-Laws

These By-Laws may be altered or amended and may be adopted by a majority of the members present at any regular General Meeting of the Club, except that the members shall not have the power to change the objectives of the Club so as to decrease its rights and powers under the laws of the State of Arizona, or to waive any requirements of bond or other provisions for the safety and security of the property, funds of the association or its members or to deprive any member of rights and privileges then existing, or so to amend the By-Laws as to affect a fundamental change in the policies of the Club. Notice of any amendment to be made at a Special Meeting of the members must be given at least ten (10) days before such meeting and must set forth the amendments to be considered.

Section 1: The By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Club by a majority vote of the members present. All proposed amendments must be submitted in writing. Each voting member should have said copy of the proposed changes, prior to the meeting where they will be discussed. Notification to members may be by newsletter, email, and/or USPS or a combination thereof. The proposed changes will be read at the General Meeting following their submission, and voted on at the next General Meeting.

Section 2: All By-Laws amendments shall be determined to be in agreement with the Articles of Incorporation in the State of Arizona and within the regulations of the Internal Revenue Service.

Section 3: All future approved amendments and revisions shall be incorporated and published in the Club newsletter and the new revision date added to the By-Laws heading.

Rock Shows

By Laurie Jonas

The following is a list of rock shows being held for the next few months. If you have a show you would like to add to this list, contact me at jonas.laurie@yahoo.com. You can find more information about these shows at <http://flaggmineralfoundation.org/home/about-the-fmf/shows/>:

- The Deming Gem & Mineral Society, Inc, 50th Annual Rockhound Roundup Gem & Mineral Show, March 12-15, 2015, SWNM State Fairgrounds, Deming, New Mexico, <http://www.thedgms.com>
- Daisy Mountain Rock and Gem Club 2nd Annual Gem & Mineral Show, March 28, 2015 @ 9:00 am – March 29, 2015 @ 4:00 pm, Diamond Canyon School, 40004 North Liberty Bell Way Anthem, AZ
- Contin-tail, Colorado's Largest Outdoor Gem & Mineral Show, August 13-16, 2015, Buena Vista, Colorado rodeo grounds, contin-tail@gmail.com

Classified Ads

Did you know that if you are a club member, you can place an ad in this newsletter for free? The ad doesn't have to be rock related, just something you want to sell or information you want to provide about an event. You can put your ad here and you can ask your Membership Chairperson to send out an email club-wide about the ad, again for free! We will not send out email or put ads in our newsletter for non-club members, however.

T-Shirts and Hoodies

For information, contact the Shop Manager or a Monitor.

T-Shirts and Hoodies are available in our shop with our club logo on them. The cost is \$15.00 for a t-shirt without a pocket, \$17.00 for a t-shirt with a pocket. Hoodies are \$30.00.

For information, contact the Shop Manager or a Monitor.

Field Trip CDs

A computer disc format of the entire Apache Junction Rock Field Trip Manual is available for members only at the Lapidary shop for a fee of \$10.00. All proceeds of the manual sale go to the club. Also available in printed form are directions for using the disc.

The sections of the manual include: rules and regulations for BLM and National Forest sites, plus details of 25 sites to include locations and type of land, vehicle difficulty, personal difficulty, and a picture of a typical specimens at site. The final portion of the manual focuses on injury or illness situations one may find on a field trip. This includes description, first aid, and prevention tips.

For information, contact the Shop Manager or a Monitor.